

**Governor's Adoption Study Committee**  
**MEMBERS**

*Pursuant to House Enrolled Act 1222* – The Committee consists of nine members appointed by the Governor as follows:

- 1) One representative from a licensed child placing agency that provides adoption services
  - a. Sharon Pierce, The Villages
- 2) One parent who adopted a child who was a ward of the Department of Child Services
  - a. Karen Sauer, adoptive mother
- 3) One parent who adopted a child through a private adoption
  - a. Zachary Kester, adoptive father & adoption attorney
- 4) One court appointed special advocate
  - a. Gregg Ellis, CASA
- 5) Two representatives from the Department of Child Services, one of whom must be an attorney
  - a. Jane Bisbee, Deputy Director of Field Operations
  - b. Tamara Wilson, Deputy General Counsel
- 6) Two judges who have experience with adoption cases
  - a. Judge Dana Kenworthy
  - b. Judge Steven Galvin
- 7) One person chosen at the Governor's discretion
  - a. Michele Jackson, adoptive mother & adoption attorney